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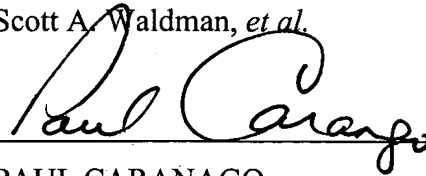
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Applicants elect the species of Cdx2, without traverse, for further prosecution on the merits. Claims 1-15 are readable on the elected species.

Respectfully submitted

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